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Claim Amendments

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A device for setting a focus of exposure heads on a recording material in an exposer with an exposure drum for recording printing originals, the device comprising:

an exposure-head carrier having a carrier plate for holding the exposure heads, a carrier base, and a hinge connecting said carrier plate and said carrier base such that they can move, said hinge having a fixed axis of rotation extending axially along the exposure drum and said hinge permitting a tilting movement of said carrier plate about said axis of rotation.

Claim 2 (original): The device according to claim 1, wherein said exposure-head carrier has a front side facing the exposure drum and said hinge is disposed on said front side.

Claim 3 (original): The device according to claim 1, wherein said exposure-head carrier has a tilting drive with which a

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rear of said carrier plate facing the exposure drum can be raised or lowered.

Claim 4 (original): The device according to claim 3, wherein said exposure-head carrier contains:

carrier arms connected to said rear of said carrier plate; and  
  
a rotatably driven eccentric shaft connected to said carrier arms and to said rear of said carrier plate through said carrier arms.

Claim 5 (original): The device according to claim 1, wherein said hinge is formed of at least one spring plate.

Claim 6 (original): The device according to claim 3, wherein by a tilting movement of said carrier plate, the exposure heads can be moved jointly and substantially radially toward the exposer or away from the exposer.

Claim 7 (original): The device according to claim 1, wherein the recording material is a printing plate and the exposer is an external drum exposer with an exposure drum for holding the printing plate.

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Claim 8 (currently amended): A device for setting a focus of exposure heads on a printing plate in an external drum exposer with an exposure drum for holding the printing plate, the device comprising:

an exposure-head carrier having a carrier plate for holding the exposure heads, a carrier base, and a hinge connecting said carrier plate and said carrier base such that they can move, said hinge having a fixed axis of rotation extending axially along the exposure drum and said hinge permitting a tilting movement of said carrier plate about said axis of rotation.

Claim 9 (currently amended): An exposer for recording printing originals, the exposer comprising:

an exposure drum for holding a printing plate;

exposure heads; and

an exposure-head carrier supporting said exposure heads and setting a focus of said exposure heads on the printing plate, said exposure-head carrier having a carrier plate holding said exposure heads, a carrier base, and a hinge connecting said carrier plate and said carrier base such that they can move,

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said hinge having a fixed axis of rotation extending axially  
along said exposure drum and said hinge permitting a tilting  
movement of said carrier plate about said axis of rotation.